COMMITTEE ON FINANCE(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

Chairman: Mr. Jack H. Schurlknight, Council Member District No. 6

A **meeting** of the **Committee on Finance**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on Monday, **July 26**, **2010**, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:14 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6; Committee Member Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1; Committee Member Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4; Committee Member Dennis L. Fish, Council District No. 5; Committee Member Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; Committee Member Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8; County Supervisor Daniel W. Davis, ex officio; Ms. Nicole Scott Ewing, County Attorney; Mr. Joshau A. Gruber, Assistant County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara B. Austin, Clerk of County Council.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman Schurlknight called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Schurlknight asked for approval of minutes from meetings of the Committee on Finance held June 14, 2010 and June 28, 2010.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Call to **approve** the **minutes** as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

A. Consideration of a resolution of the County Council of Berkeley County, South Carolina, pursuant to the **Tax Increment Financing Act** for Counties, Title 31, Chapter 7, of the South Carolina Code of Laws, ordering a **public hearing** concerning a redevelopment plan for the establishment of a tax increment financing district adjacent to Interstate 26; providing for notice to local taxing entities.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Fish to **approve consideration** of a **resolution** ordering a public hearing concerning a redevelopment plan for the establishment of a tax increment financing district adjacent to Interstate 26. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

B. Consideration of a resolution authorizing the County Supervisor to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the acceptance of \$90,000.00 from Home Telephone Company to be applied towards infrastructure construction costs of the DuPont Corporation Facility located in Berkeley County.

It was moved by Committee Member Pinckney and seconded by Committee Member Call to **approve consideration** of a **resolution** authorizing acceptance of \$90,000.00 from Home Telephone Company to be applied towards infrastructure construction costs at the DuPont Corporation Facility located in Berkeley County.

Chairman Schurlknight: "We have a motion and a second. Do we have any discussion?"

Committee Member Farley: "Yes, Sir; could you explain on this a little bit? What is this for – tower or..."

Chairman Schurlknight: "Gene."

Mr. Gene Butler, Economic Development Director: "It's for infrastructure needs that are on-going with the project. It could be towards expenses that they've already incurred..."

Committee Member Farley: "Ok."

Mr. Butler: "...but, it just applies towards any infrastructure needs out of that project."

Chairman Schurlknight: "Good; any other discussion?"

The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Schurlknight: "Without objection, I'd like to introduce consideration of a resolution relating to the allocation of \$1,665,334.07 of Berkeley County's qualified energy conservation bond capacity to the School District of Berkeley County."

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Fish to **approve** consideration of a **resolution** relating to the allocation of \$1,665,334.07 of Berkeley County's qualified energy conservation bond capacity to the Berkeley County School District. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

C. Review prior to Third Reading of the following:

1. Bill No. 10-18, an ordinance providing for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 for the Tall Pines Special Tax District operational

budget; and to provide for the expenditures of the revenues received by the Tall Pines Special Tax District during the fiscal year.

It was moved by Committee Member Fish and seconded by Committee Member Steve Davis to **approve review**, prior to **Third Reading**, of **Bill No. 10-18**. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

6. Bill No. 10-20, an ordinance providing appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 for Berkeley County; to provide for levy of taxes on all taxable property in Berkeley County for all County purposes; to provide for the expenditures of said taxes and other revenues coming into the County that would not include the 29 percent Local Options Sales Tax option and would only take \$500,000 from that fund for budget purposes for the fiscal year.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to **deny review**, prior to **Third Reading**, of **Bill No. 10-20**. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

It was moved by Committee Member Steve Davis and seconded by Committee Member Fish to **adjourn** the meeting of the Committee on Finance. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

August 23, 2010
Date Approved